



Delaware Coalition for Injury Prevention

December 11, 2014 1:30 – 3:30 pm

Public Health Training Center Edgehill Shopping Center, Dover, Delaware

TOPICS	LEADER	DISCUSSION
Welcome and Introductions	J. Whaley M.S. Jones	The Coalition meeting was called to order at 1:36 pm and introductions were made. It was announced that C. LeComte is retiring; replacing her is V. Crowe. The Coalition thanked C. LeComte for her tenure with the Coalition.
Review of minutes	J. Whaley	A motion for approval was made by S. Vogel and seconded by J. McCue; minutes were approved.
PRESENTATIONS Office of Animal Welfare Animal Care & Control /First State Animal Center-SPCA Mocktail Party and Holiday Safety	H. Brown, M. Tobin S. Warburton P. Bachman	The Office of Animal Welfare, in the Division of Public Health (DPH), is interested in joining this Coalition. H. Brown is the Director of the Office of Animal Welfare (OAW); M. Tobin is animal enforcement officer. The OAW was formed to consolidate companion animal programs and services. Future goals include expanding communication via quarterly newsletters, press releases, and social media releases; managing and promoting the statewide spay & neuter program for low income clients; and developing advocacy projects for community education. The Director of Animal Care & Control / First State Animal Center introduced herself. The Center's focus is to respond to animal cruelty cases, educate on responsible pet care and welfare, provide temporary housing in emergency situations (domestic violence), assist in promoting the spray & neuter program, and investigate cases of animal bites. The Corporate Outreach Coordinator for the Office of Highway Safety (OHS) discussed how to host a mocktail party to promote safe and sober holidays. Non-alcoholic beverage options and "smart" party snacks, which increase alcohol absorption in the blood stream while reducing excessive alcohol consumption, are good options.
UPDATES Fall Prevention Jingles Regional Network Leader (RNL) Interactive Delaware Data Map Team Webpage Development Status and Promotion of the Coalition	P. Mack P. Mack D. Curtis M.S. Jones	The three musical fall prevention jingles were edited into one jingle. The edited jingle was presented as a potential Public Service Announcement (PSA). Suggestions for next steps/feedback included collaborating with local high school technical programs to add some polish to the current jingles and creating an introductory slide for the PSA. The slide will be created by D. Curtis and K. Boyer. Next steps: connecting the jingle / PSA with Coalition partners so it can be used. The RNL is working on a project to provide states a template for sharing information pertaining to injury prevention. P. Mack showed a sample booklet produced by Ohio's state injury prevention department. The goal is to tailor a similar resource for each state's legislators or for organizations to use to educate about injury prevention. Falls data for the Interactive Delaware Data Map has been collected; analysis will be completed by Sussex County EMS' A. Barnes by mid-January. The webpages are finished and are pending state approval. Additional materials are planned for the web pages. One-page single topic flyers are requested to be created by each team. The flyers will be substitutes for brochures and pamphlets and have the advantage of drawing the reader's attention to one key point which they hopefully will remember. The Delaware Emergency Medical Services Oversight Council (DEMSOC) Annual Report is an overview of the state's Emergency Medical Services System; the report is distributed to the Governor and legislators as well as posted online. The Coalition will be participating again this year. Each team is asked to create a one-page summary of 2014 activities for the DEMSOC report. A template, as well as previous years' DEMSOC pages, will be provided as guides. Teams will work with P. Mack on their reports, due the end of January.
TEAMS' UPDATES <i>Traumatic Brain and Spinal Injury Prevention Team</i>	J. Whaley	Attended the second annual Youth Concussion Summit held in Newark. The REAP Program (Reduce, Educate, Accommodate, Pace) to manage sports-related concussions (Colorado) was introduced. Concussion management and strategies to provide information to parents, schools, and the medical team on sports-related concussions were discussed. A demonstration showed how specialized football helmets are used to provide information on concussions' impact to

		brains after football players sustain head hits. The information via the specialized helmet can help determine if a player needs to sit out of a game after sustaining a hit.
<i>Falls Injury Prevention Team</i>	D. Curtis	The Governor signed the team's proclamation naming September 22-28 Fall Prevention Awareness Week. Team members distributed information relating to falls and injury prevention for seniors. A winter project is education on prevention of falls on ice. The Falls team is in the process of getting falls prevention tips into the media via Christiana Care and Bayhealth hospitals. An additional project is to have a legislative day in order to present information related to falls to legislators. H. Brown suggested looking into Legislative Hall's free display schedule for Wednesdays, between January and June. D. Curtis will schedule a date for the team to have a display at Legislative Hall. Strategies were discussed on finding partners for funding production of a more polished PSA for the 2015 Fall Prevention campaign.
<i>Violence Intervention and Prevention</i>	K. Boyer	Christiana Care Health System has been working with the Cease Violence Wilmington program to assist with patient and family support. Chaz Molins, the Violence Intervention and Prevention Coordinator at Christiana Care, interviews gunshot patients at the bedside and asks if they would like to develop a relationship with Cease Violence Wilmington. The goal is to get the victims in contact with support systems to help prevent conflict escalation and possible re-injury. K. Boyer will invite Chaz to schedule a future presentation for the Coalition.
<i>Motor Vehicle Injury Prevention Team</i>	J. Whaley	Flyers and tip cards from the ATV Safety Coalition, which is led by Nemours' Health and Prevention Services, were provided to members. Coalition goals include assuring availability of ATV education programs for riders and passage of legislation with restrictions of ATV usage among children.
<i>Fire/Smoke Injury Prevention Team</i>	J. Whaley	A mock bomb blast disaster drill was held in Sussex County. Organizations that participated included Nanticoke, Beebe, duPont, and Milford Hospitals, Delaware State Police and LifeNet air medical services, and PolyTech High School.
<i>Dog Bite Injury Prevention Team</i>	S. Vogel, C. Martin	Since the last meeting, S. Vogel has given a total of 71 humane education presentations. Of those, 37 were specifically on dog bite prevention. C. Martin discussed collaborations with other agencies for education on prevention of dog bites.
<i>Drowning/Submersion Injury Prevention Team</i>	J. Whaley D. Clinton	J. Whaley introduced a new team member, D. Clinton, the Senior Aquatic Director for the YMCA and the Association's Water Wise & Lifeguard Compliance programs. The YMCA has a state-wide "Learn to Swim" program. The program will be launched in Dover this spring. In 2014, the program provided free swim lessons to about 3,000 children.
<i>Poisoning and Prescription Drugs Abuse Injury Prevention Team</i>	K. Massey	In June, Delaware passed the Naloxone law which allows law enforcement officers to carry the prescription medicine. Delawareans who are aware of someone at high risk of overdose can take a course and upon completion can receive a prescription to purchase Naloxone for emergency use. The "Smart Moves, Smart Choices" program is being implemented with partnerships between the Department of Education and the school nurses. The program provides technical education for the school nurses and health educators on prescription drug abuse and misuse among teenagers. The program offers free tools and resources to help empower schools and communities and encourages adults to monitor their medicine cabinets and have open and honest conversations with children.
Adjourn	3:39 p.m.	Next scheduled meeting – February 19, 2015 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Meeting location: Public Health Training Center, Edgehill Shopping Center, Dover
Attendees: M. Arford; P. Bachman; H. Brown; K. Boyer; D. Clinton; V. Crowe; D. Curtis; M.S. Jones; C. LeComte; M. LeNoir; P. Mack; C. Martin; K. Massey; J. McCue; S. Palmer; M. Tobin; S. Vogel; S. Warburton; J. Whaley; - Excused: K. Chesser; L. Cowan; T. Kaminski; K. O'Malley; M. O'Malley; D. Vandiver Recorder: C. LeComte		